

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
AUGUST 2, 2012 – 8:30 A.M.
TOWN HALL ANNEX – COMMUNITY ROOM 3

I. ROLL CALL

Present: Fafard, Obrey, Smith, Mathanool
Staff: Strother
Other: Council Liaison Johnson, Robert Frink, Citizen; Gretchen Chipperini,
Property Owner

II. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

1. Discussion of Commercial Properties on Route 12

Ms. Chipperini provided a history and review of commercial properties which she owns in the area of Route 12, Pleasant Valley Road South and Walker Hill Road, some of which about the William Seeley School Property. She discussed the current challenging retail market, and updated the Commission on her efforts to market the site to a national retail company. Ms. Chipperini also reviewed data that she has gathered, including some significant data reports that seCTer provided. She noted that the utilization of the Seeley School Property would be a critical component to attracting any major development project to this area of the community. The future issue of reuse of this property will be under the purview of Town Council.

The Commission expressed their desire to assist in developing information, such as a structured data resource template, including information such as traffic counts, demographics, and consumer expenditures, etc., that would assist in attracting businesses to this site as well as other sites in the Town. Bill Smith offered to work with Ms. Chipperini to gather information for this template, and it was noted that the assistance of Robert Frink would also be helpful on this effort.

MOTION: The Economic Development is in support of developing a resource data template document to assist in marketing the Town, including the Route 12 property reviewed today.

Motion made by Mathanool, seconded by Obrey, so voted unanimously

III. ADJOURNMENT

The Meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

George Mathanool Secretary
Economic Development Commission

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